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SUBJECT: SECVISIT: PRESS SCENARIO

1. - MONDAY, FEB 16, 1976

5:05 PLANE ARRIVES AT MAIQUETIA AND WILL BE PARKED
APPROXIMATELY 70 METERS FROM ENTRANCE OF TERMINAL BUILDING.
U.S. PRESS WILL DISEMBARK FIRST FROM REAR DOOR, AND BE GUIDED
TO PRESS AREA BY 10. THE SECRETARY DISEMBARKS NEXT VIA
FRONT DOOR ESCORTED BY VENEZUELAN CHIEF OF PROTOCOL AND
AMERICAN AMBASSADOR HARRY W. SHLAUDEMANN. SECRETARY WILL BE
MET AT FOOT OF RAMP BY FOREIGN MINISTER RAMON ESCOBAR SALOM
AND INTRODUCED TO WELCOMING PARTY. NATIONAL ANTHEMS WILL BE
PLAYED. OFFICIALS WILL THEN REVIEW AN HONOR GUARD AS THEY
PROCEED TO TERMINAL BUILDING. (PHOTO OPPORTUNITY.) THEREAFTER,
PARTY WILL PROCEED INSIDE THE TERMINAL (PRESS WILL BE DIRECTED
INSIDE TERMINAL BY ALTERNATE ENTRANCE) WHERE THE FOREIGN
MINISTER WILL MAKE A BRIEF STATEMENT WELCOMING THE SECRETARY
AND THE SECRETARY WILL DELIVER HIS ARRIVAL STATEMENT
(CONSECUTIVE TRANSLATION BY SECRETARY'S TRANSLATOR.) SECRETARY
MAY WISH

TO ANSWER FEW QUESTIONS FROM PRESS. SPECIAL PLATFORM WILL BE
PROVIDED FOR TV REELS AND PHOTOGRAPHERS.

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2. - 5:30 - MOTORCADE DEPARTS AIRPORT. FIVE PRESS CARS WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO MOTORCADE AS CLOSE TO SECRETARY'S CAR AS POSSIBLE. USIS OFFICER WILL BE ASSIGNED FULL TIME TO ASSIST PRESS, AND HAND OUT CARACAS PRESS KITS.

3. - 6:15 - ARRIVE AT PANTHEON FOR WREATH-LAYING CEREMONY. FOREIGN MINISTER WILL BE PRESENT. (PHOTO OPPORTUNITY.)

4. - M MOTORCADE, INCLUDING PRESS CARS, DEPARTS PANTHEON FOR MIRAFLORES PALACE, WHERE SECRETARY WILL MAKE FORMAL CALL ON PRESIDENT CARLOS ANDRES PEREZ.

5. - 6:30 - ARRIVE MIRAFLORES. FOREIGN MINISTER ESCORTS SECRETARY AND OFFICIAL PARTY INTO THE PALACE WHERE SECRETARY WILL BE GREETED BY PRESIDENT PEREZ. (PHOTO OPPORTUNITY.) SECRETARY WILL PRESENT A BUST OF LINCOLN TO PRESIDENT PEREZ AS GIFT OF AMERICAN PEOPLE TO VENEZUELAN PEOPLE. (PHOTO OPPORTUNITY.)

6. - SECRETARY'S MOTORCADE DEPARTS MIRAFLORES PALACE FOR HILTON.

NOTE: U.S. INFORMATION SERVICE WILL PROVIDE WORKING PRESS FACILITIES ON THE FIRST FLOOR OF THE HILTON HOTEL IN SALON BARCELONA. FACILITIES WILL INCLUDE EIGHT TELEX MACHINES AND EIGHT INTERNATIONAL TELEPHONES FOR CORRESPONDENTS WISHING TO FILE COPY TO THE U.S. TWENTY-FIVE TYPEWRITERS AND SUPPLIES WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR ACCREDITED JOURNALISTS. USIS WILL ALSO HAVE AN INFORMATION OFFICE IN THE ROOM ADJACENT TO THE WORKING PRESS ROOM (THE SALA TRUJILLO.) USIS PERSONNEL WILL ASSIST VISITORS WITH PRESS QUESTIONS AND WILL MAKE AVAILABLE ALL TEXTS AND PRESS HANDOUT ON THE VISIT. SIMILAR FACILITIES WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE MACUTO SHERATON HOTEL. THE WORKING PRESS ROOM WILL BE LOCATED AT THE MEZZANINE FLOOR IN SALON CARABOBO. THE USIS OFFICE IN THE ADJACENT SALON YARACUY.

7. - 8:15 - SECRETARY AND HIS PARTY WILL DEPART HILTON, (ACCOMPANIED BY FOREIGN MINISTER,) FOR THE PRESIDENTIAL RESIDENCE, LA CASONA. PRESS CARS WILL BE PART OF THE MOTORCADE. PHOTOGRAPHERS WILL BE GIVEN OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE PHOTOS AT FIRST
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MEETING BETWEEN PRESIDENT PEREZ AND SECRETARY.

8 -8:30 - ARRIVE AT LA CASONA FOR STATE DINNER OFFERED BY PRESIDENT PEREZ STAG. PHOTO OPPORTUNITY AT BEGINNING OF DINNER. PRESS WILL BE LOCATED IN NEARBY AREA WHERE TOASTS AND OTHER REMARKS WILL BE PIPED IN VIA LOUDSPEAKERS. USIS AND VENEZUELAN CENTRAL INFORMATION OFFICE PERSONNEL WILL BE AVAILABLE TO HELP.

9 - TUESDAY, FEB 17, 1976.

7:45 SECRETARY AND PARTY, INCLUDING PRESS CARS, DEPART HILTON FOR LA CASONA FOR PRIVATE BREAKFAST WITH PRESIDENT PEREZ AND FOREIGN MINISTER. (PHOTO OPPORTUNITY.) BREAKFAST WILL BE FOLLOWED BY SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS.

10:00 - DEPART LA CASONA FOR HILTON. HE WILL BE SEEN OFF BY THE PRESIDENT. (PHOTO OPPORTUNITY).

12:15 - SECRETARY AND CONVOY DEPART HILTON FOR LA GUZMANIA, OFFICIAL PRESIDENTIAL RESIDENCE IN THE TOWN OF MACUTO ON THE LA GUAIRA COAST.

1:00 - ARRIVE LA GUZMANIA FOR LUNCHEON HOSTED BY PRESIDENT PEREZ FOR PARTICIPANTS IN SECOND SYMPOSIUM ON VENEZUELAN-AMERICAN RELATIONS.

3:20 - SECRETARY AND PARTY DEPART LA GUZMANIA FOR MACUTO SHERATON. THE EVENING OF FEBRUARY 17. THEREFORE, ALL BAGGAGE AND EQUIPMENT MUST BE READY FOR PICK-UP AT THE HILTON AT 10:00 A.M. FOR TRANSFER TO THE MACUTO SHERATON.

NOTE: PRESS FACILITIES DUPLICATING THOSE IN CARACAS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT MACUTO SHERATON IN THE SALON CARABOBO ON THE MEZZANINE FLOOR OF THE HOTEL.

5:30 - SECRETARY ADDRESSES PARTICIPANTS IN SECOND SYMPOSIUM ON VENEZUELAN-AMERICAN RELATIONS.

6:00 - SECRETARY ENDS SPEECH.

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7:30 - RECEPTION OFFERED BY SECRETARY FOR SYMPOSIUM PARTICIPANTS AND OTHER INVITED GUESTS.

10. - WEDNESDAY, FEB 18, 1976

7:20 - SECRETARY AND PARTY DEPART MACUTO SHERATON FOR MAIQUETIA AIRPORT.

7:45 - DEPARTURE CEREMONIES (PHOTO OPPORTUNITY)

8:00 - WHEELS UP

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